



Docket No.: 070456-0016

PATENT

**IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE**

In re Application of : Customer Number: 20277  
Kouichi OKUGAMI, et al. : Confirmation Number: 4835  
Application No.: 10/787,221 : Group Art Unit: 3682  
Filed: February 27, 2004 : Examiner: Justin Krause  
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For: TRANSMISSION COMPONENT, METHOD OF MANUFACTURING THE SAME, AND  
TAPERED ROLLER BEARING

**STATUS INQUIRY**

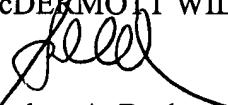
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Sir:

The above-identified application was filed on February 27, 2004. Since more than one and one-half years have elapsed since that date, and no action has been received by attorney for applicant, Applicant respectfully requests that the undersigned attorney be informed of the status of the referenced application. It is noted that the Official Gazette indicates applications filed on or before April 8, 2004 in the above-assigned group art unit should have received an action on the merits.

Respectfully submitted,

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